

REMARKS

Claims 17-18, 27, 28, 31 and 32 are pending in the application following entry of the above amendments. Claim 16 has been canceled. Claims 1-15, 19-26, 29 and 30 were previously canceled. The applicants reserve the right to file a continuation application presenting claims canceled from the present application. No new matter has been added.

The office action noted that claims 17-18, 31 and 32 were allowed in the application. Claim 27 was objected to as dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable in independent form. Claim 27 has been amended to include all the elements of rejected claim 16. Thus, claim 27 is now in condition for allowance. Claim 28 depends from claim 27 and, therefore, is also allowable.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is solicited. If the Examiner believes, however, that direct communication would advance prosecution, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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